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The Sedgwick County Fire District Expresses Fire Safety Concerns for Building Owners or Managers and Patrons

Fire safety concerns for building owners or managers:

1. Building owners are responsible to make certain the capacity of a building is not exceeded.
2. Building owners are responsible to make certain all exits are not blocked, chained or locked.
3. Building owners are responsible to make certain exit pathways are provided; tables, chairs and other equipment are not to be in the pathways.
4. Building owners are also responsible to make certain exit signs and emergency lighting are provided and maintained.
5. If you, as a club owner or manager, have any doubts as to the life safety aspects of the building, contact your local fire department.
6. Fireworks/pyrotechnics always require a permit.

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Fire safety concerns for patrons:

1. When arriving in such a building make a mental note of where all exits are located. What is your closest exit? What is your second means of exit? (Remember, the doors you used to enter the building may not always be your best exit in case of an emergency.)
2. If you find a blocked, locked, or chained exit door, tell the manager. If you feel no action was taken, notify the fire department immediately.
3. If you feel the building is overcrowded or unsafe, your best option is to leave the premises.

“We want the citizens of our community to be aware of their surroundings for their safety,” said Sedgwick County Commission Chairman Tim Norton.

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